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| | : DETECTING THE FORMATION | |
| | : AND DEVELOPMENT OF | |
| | : BIOFILMS IN A CULTURE | |
| | : MEDIUM | |

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 30, 2010, the Applicants amend the application as follows: